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Article 1

Construction Codes and Licensing

Section

- 1** **Licensing orders; grounds; reapplication.** Adds a person acting as a qualifying person for the purpose of permitting, licensure, registration, or a certificate to those subject to enforcement.
- 2** **Bond requirements.** Specifies that all bonds must be in the form of corporate surety bonds based on the faithful and lawful performance of all work contracted for. Bonds must be filed with the commissioner as provided for by the commissioner and are in lieu of all other license bonds to any other political subdivision. Bonds must be written by a corporate surety licensed to do business in Minnesota. The penal sum of the bond is cumulative and is to be aggregated every two years.
- 3** **Availability of renewal.** Provides exemptions to license renewal by cross reference.
- 4** **Courses submitted by the state.** Provides that state agencies submitting continuing education courses for review by the commissioner are not required to pay the course approval fee.
- 5** **Bond required.** Updates elevator bond language to new general language on bond requirements in section 1.
- 6** **Operating permits and fee; periodic inspections.** Adds elevators in residential dwellings to items exempt from operating permit fees other than an initial operating permit fee.

Section

- 7 **Bond.** Updates electrical bond requirements for class A and B installers to new general language in section 1.
- 8 **Bond.** Updates contractor bond requirements to new general language in section 1.
- 9 **Inspection of transitory project.** Technical correction.
- 10 **Employment of master plumber or restricted master plumber.** Provides for designation of a new responsible licensed plumber after the departure or disqualification of a licensee's responsible licensed individual due to death, disability, retirement, position change, or other reason. The licensee must notify the commissioner within 15 business days after the departure or disqualification. The licensee has 60 days to obtain a new responsible licensed individual. Failure to meet requirements results in a voluntary termination of the license.
- 11 **Bond; insurance.** Updates bond requirements related to plumbers.
- 12 **Permits; fees.** Technical correction to cross reference.
- 13 **Bonds.** Updates bond requirements for water conditioning contractors.
- 14 **Registration application.** Updates to the new schedule for contractor registrations to December 31 each odd numbered year rather than June 30. Renewals may be submitted beginning in October (rather than April) of the year that the registration expires.
- 15 **Required.** Specifies the contractors covered by the right to cancel to include residential building contractors, residential remodelers, or residential roofers. Strikes reference to a siding contractor.
- 16 **Grounds for sanctions.** Language update.
- 17 **Bonds.** Updates bond requirements for licensed manufactured home installers and licensed residential roofers.
- 18 **Bond.** Updates bond requirements for high pressure piping.
- 19 **Continuing education.** Provides that the commissioner may require continuing education prior to any license renewal. The commissioner must adopt rules prior to requiring the continuing education.
- 20 **Exemption.** Provides for boiler inspection exemptions except an initial inspection after a boiler is installed and before it is placed in operation.

Article 2

Obsolete and redundant statutes.

- 1 **Late fee.** Specifies that license renewal applications must be received prior to the expiration date of the license.
- 2 **License fees and renewal fees.** Strikes redundant language.

Section

- 3** **Deadline for avoiding license expiration.** Changes reference from renewal deadline to license expiration date.
- 4** **Exit sign illumination.** Strikes language dating to 1993 regarding illumination of exit signs.
- 5** **Window fall prevention device code.** Strikes obsolete rulemaking dates.
- 6** **Application.** Strikes reference to 1995.
- 7** **Effective date.** Strikes 2008 effective date included in statutory language.
- 8** **Appeals.** Updates section references.
- 9** **Interstate compact on industrialized/modular buildings.** Incorporates compact by reference instead of printing it in statute.
- 10** **Repealer.**